

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (currently amended) An outsole for a shoe, comprising:
  - a frame portion covering at least a substantial part of a peripheral area of the outsole, the frame portion composed of comprising a first material; and
  - at least one insert portion molded to the frame portion, the at least one insert portion composed of comprising a second material;
  - the insert portion having a surface defining wherein a surface of the at least one insert portion comprises:
    - a plurality of hollow, air-filled cushioning modules; and
    - a plurality of hollow, air-filled ribs oriented substantially perpendicular to a heel-to-toe direction of the outsole, the ribs being separate from the cushioning modules.
2. (cancelled) The outsole of claim 1, wherein the frame portion provides stability to the outsole.
3. (original) The outsole of claim 1, wherein the first material is a thermal plastic resin (TPR).
4. (cancelled) The outsole of claim 1, wherein the at least one cushioning portion provides a cushioning effect.

5. (original) The outsole of claim 1, wherein the second material is a thermal plastic resin (TPR).

6. (original) The outsole of claim 1, wherein the first material has a durometer that is greater than a durometer of the second material.

7. (original) The outsole of claim 1, wherein the first material has a durometer between 40 and 45.

8. (original) The outsole of claim 1, wherein the second material has a durometer between 33 and 35.

9. (cancelled) ~~The outsole of claim 1, wherein the at least one insert portion comprises at least one rib oriented perpendicular to a toe to heel direction of the outsole.~~

10. (original) The outsole of claim 1, wherein the at least one insert portion includes a ball-strike insert portion and a heel-strike insert portion.

11. (currently amended) The outsole of claim 10, wherein the plurality of hollow, air-filled ribs are located in the ball-strike insert portion ~~comprises at least one rib oriented perpendicular to a toe to heel direction of the outsole.~~

12. (cancelled) The ~~outsole of claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of cushioning modules is a hollow, molded pod.~~

13. (currently amended) The outsole of claim 1, wherein each at least some of the plurality of cushioning modules have has a diamond shape.

14. (currently amended) The outsole of claim 1, wherein each at least some of the plurality of cushioning modules have has an oval shape.

15. (currently amended) The outsole of claim 1, wherein each at least some of the plurality of cushioning modules have has a flattened pyramid shape.

16. (original) The outsole of claim 1, wherein the frame portion has a rounded peripheral edge.

17. (currently amended) A shoe, comprising:

an upper; and

an outsole attached to the upper, the outsole comprising:

a frame portion covering at least a substantial part of a peripheral area of the outsole, the frame portion comprising composed of a first material; and

at least one insert portion molded to the frame portion, the at least one insert portion comprising composed of a second material;

the insert portion having a surface defining wherein a surface of the at least one insert portion comprises:

one or more a plurality of hollow, air-filled cushioning modules; and  
a plurality of hollow, air-filled ribs oriented substantially perpendicular to a heel-to-toe direction of the outsole, the ribs being separate from the cushioning modules.

18. (cancelled) The shoe of claim 17, wherein the first material provides stability to the outsole.

19. (original) The shoe of claim 17, wherein the first material is a thermal plastic resin (TPR).

20. (cancelled) The shoe of claim 17, wherein the second material provides a cushioning effect.

21. (original) The shoe of claim 17, wherein the second material is a thermal plastic resin (TPR).

22. (original) The shoe of claim 17, wherein the first material has a durometer that is greater than a durometer of the second material.

23. (original) The shoe of claim 17, wherein the first material has a durometer between 40 and 45.
24. (original) The shoe of claim 17, wherein the second material has a durometer between 33 and 35.
25. (cancelled) ~~The shoe of claim 17, wherein the at least one insert portion comprises at least one rib oriented perpendicular to a toe-to-heel direction of the outsole.~~
26. (original) The shoe of claim 17, wherein the at least one insert portion includes a ball-strike insert portion and a heel-strike insert portion.
27. (currently amended) The shoe of claim 26, wherein the plurality of hollow, air-filled ribs are located in the ball-strike insert portion ~~comprises at least one rib oriented perpendicular to a toe-to-heel direction of the outsole.~~
28. (cancelled) ~~The shoe of claim 17, wherein each of the plurality of cushioning modules is a hollow, molded pod.~~
29. (currently amended) The shoe of claim 17, wherein each at least some of the plurality of cushioning modules have ~~has~~ a diamond shape.

30. (currently amended) The shoe of claim 17, wherein ~~each~~ at least some of the plurality of cushioning modules have has-an oval shape.

31. (currently amended) The shoe of claim 17, wherein ~~each~~ at least some of the plurality of cushioning modules have has-a flattened pyramid shape.

32. (original) The shoe of claim 17, wherein the frame portion has a rounded peripheral edge.

33. (New) A sole for a shoe, comprising:  
an outsole portion having at least a bottom surface for contact with a supporting surface, the outsole portion comprising:  
a frame portion covering at least a substantial part of a peripheral area of the bottom surface, the frame portion comprising a first material; and  
at least one insert portion covering a second area of the bottom surface,  
the at least one insert portion comprising:  
a second material; and  
an upper surface comprising a plurality of concave hollows;  
the sole further comprising:  
a layer adjacent to at least a substantial part the upper surface of the insert portion such that the plurality of concave hollows are enclosed to form a plurality of hollow, air-filled cushioning modules.

34. (New) An outsole for a shoe, comprising:

a frame portion covering at least a substantial part of a peripheral area of the outsole, the frame portion comprising a selected material with a first density; and  
at least one insert portion molded to the frame portion, the at least one insert portion comprising the selected material with a second density different from the first density;  
wherein a surface of the at least one insert portion comprises a plurality of cushioning modules.

35. (New) An outsole for a shoe, comprising:

a peripheral frame portion comprising:  
a first material; and  
a first bottom surface; and  
an insert portion comprising:  
a second material;  
a plurality of cushioning modules; and  
a second bottom surface;  
wherein the first and second bottom surfaces define a bottom surface of the outsole for contact with a supporting surface when in use.